

Governor Schwarzenegger Appoints Four Members of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Governor Schwarzenegger today announced the following appointments to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board:

Heidi Harris, 34, of Salyer, is a lecturer in range development and improvements at California State University, Humboldt and range consultant for the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service. She holds a Bachelor of Science in rangeland resource science from California State University, Humboldt. Harris is a Republican.

Dennis Leonardi, 49, of Ferndale, is owner and manager of Leonardi Dairy and has been a member of the Humboldt Creamery Association since 1977. He holds a Bachelor of Science in dairy science and husbandry from California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo. Leonardi is a Republican.

Clifford Marshall, 48, of Orleans, is tribal chairman of the Hoopa Valley Tribe. Previously, he was a lecturer of law at the University of California, Los Angeles. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in social science from California State University, Humboldt and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Washington. Marshall is registered as decline to state.

Sari Sommarstrom, 55, of Etna, is principal of Sari Sommarstrom and Associates, a natural resource consulting company, and is also a co-owner of GrowPro, Inc. She is a member of the Watershed Management Council and the American Water Resources Association. She holds a Bachelor of Science in zoology from the University of California, Davis and a Ph. D. in resource planning and conservation of natural resources from the University of Michigan. Sommarstrom is a Democrat.

These positions require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. The mission of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board is to preserve, enhance and restore the quality of California's water resources, and ensure their proper allocation and efficient use for the benefit of present and future generations.